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SRI M. JAGANNATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Co-operation be pleased to state—

(a) whether he has received recently any petition from Sri D. Parasuram, Organizer for the Danamanyam Co-operative Agricultural Colonisation Scheme, requesting for the early assignment of waste lands to the society; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken in the matter so far?

THE HON. SRI D. SANJIVAYYA :—" (a) The answer is in the affirmative.

" (b) The request is under consideration."

Construction of roads in Ongole taluk.

* 1210 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANASWAMI: Will the Hon the Minister for Rural Welfare be pleased to state—

(a) the number of roads constructed by the Rural Development Department in Ongole taluk, up to 31st March 1953;

(b) the amount spent by the Government for this purpose;

(c) the amount of local contributions in each case; and

(d) whether any proposals were given up because of local objections?

THE HON. SRI S. B. P. PATTABHI RAMA RAO :—" (a) Thirty-three.

" (b) Rs. 1,32,671.

" (c) Rs. 48,073 in all.

" (d) No."

SRI M. NARAYANASWAMI :—" I think the answer to clause (d) is not correct. There was a road and the Hon. Minister for Rural Welfare accepted on the floor of this House that it was dropped. Will the Hon. Minister reconsider and take up the construction of the road? "

THE HON. SRI S. B. P. PATTABHI RAMA RAO :—" No road has been dropped; a road cannot be dropped, Sir."

SRI M. NARAYANASWAMI :—" There was a proposal to construct a road between Errapalem and Timmannapalem. On the recommendation of the Hon. Minister, the proposal was dropped. Will the Hon. Minister be pleased to reconsider the question? "

THE HON. SRI S. B. P. PATTABHI RAMA RAO :—" I did not know that the hon. Member meant that proposal. Regarding the proposal, it has not been dropped and it is being examined. There is plenty of opposition to it. As I said the other day, until the Collector is satisfied that there is no opposition to, or any quarrel over the issue, nothing will be decided."

SRI P. PUNDARIKAKSHACHARYULU :—" Will the Hon. Minister revise the policy and see that local contributions are not collected in very backward areas? "

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THE HON. SRI S. B. P. PATTABHI RAMA RAO :—" There is no compulsion regarding contribution. The contribution may be either in cash or in labour."

SRI G. LATCHANNA :—" Is it not a fact that no allotment of funds is made for the maintenance of roads laid under the rural welfare scheme? "

THE HON. SRI S. B. P. PATTABHI RAMA RAO :—" It is crystal clear that once the roads are laid, they are handed over to be maintained by local boards."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Question No. 1211."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" Question No. 1232 standing in the name of Sri T. Lakshminarayana Reddi relating to the same subject is coming up for answer to-day. I suggest that both the questions may be taken together."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The Hon. Minister will answer question No. 1211 first and then question No. 1232."

Suspension of teachers' certificates in Cuddapah district.

* 1211 *Q.*—SRI N. SIVARAMI REDDI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) why the teachers' certificates of Sri V. Vijayaramaraju, R. Sanjeeva Reddy, C. Lakshmi Reddy and K. Rosi Reddy of Cuddapah district were suspended;

(*b*) why the departmental authorities did not call for explanation from the above aggrieved persons as per rule No. 154 of the Madras Educational Rules;

(*c*) why departmental enquiry was not conducted in the above cases; and

(*d*) as the certificates are suspended until further orders what is the time limit set for the restoration of the certificates?

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" (*a*) The certificates of the teachers were suspended as they were reported to be taking part in subversive activities. This suspension was done before 1950.

" (*b*) & (*c*) It was not considered necessary to follow the usual departmental formalities in such cases.

" (*d*) There is no time limit for the suspension of these certificates. The certificates will be restored when the authorities concerned recommend the restoration of the certificates."

Cancellation of teachers' certificates in Cuddapah and Anantapur.

* 1232 *Q.*—SRI T. LAKSHMINARAYANA REDDI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state the number of teachers' certificates cancelled in Cuddapah and Anantapur districts for political reasons from 1948 to February 1953?